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Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. (1897?) (first part missing)

have to spend the night in the woods as even the Grand Mogul had not been all the way before. However we got through in four hours and three quarters walking steadily through some of what Mr. Kennan declares to be the worst woods he knows out of the tropics. The men said we walked ten miles. I don't believe it was as much, but afterwards we climbed down by the Falls of the North River and that brought the walk nearly up to that figure. We were none of us at all tired, I was not the least, sore or stiff the next day of which I was quite uplifted. I don't think Mrs. Kennan is too pleased that I should not be tired after going through woods that used her up completely.

Lina said she had a good time, she was crazy to go with us, but of course that was out of the question when she has been posing as an invalid for so many years.

Last night Gardiner showed some tricks, appearing as the Great Joblinski before an audience in the Court House and netting the Baddeck Parent's Assoc. twenty dollars. He did very well looking very pretty and boyish, but young Master Lucian was most too much for him. Gardiner called him up to help in one of the tricks, and he spoilt it by announcing to all the assembly the whereabouts of the piece of copper. We made some fine posters, but the children did not approve of them, apparently they were too suggestive of the Devil as they threw stones at them.

Good morning. I hope that you are really getting better 2 now. I am looking forward to seeing you. What have you done about Marshall? When I get home I will see if I haven't any heavy curtains for your house furnishing. I think it must be jolly good fun.

